#### In the Senate of the United States,

September 27 (legislative day, September 17), 2008.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 5159) entitled "An Act to establish the Office of the Capitol Visitor Center within the Office of the Architect of the Capitol, headed by the Chief Executive Officer for Visitor Services, to provide for the effective management and administration of the Capitol Visitor Center, and for other purposes.", do pass with the following

#### **AMENDMENT:**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 2 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 3 "Capitol Visitor Center Act of 2008".
- 4 (b) Table of Contents for
- 5 this Act is as follows:
  - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

#### TITLE I—CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

- Sec. 101. Designation of facility as Capitol Visitor Center; purposes of facility; treatment of the Capitol Visitor Center.
- Sec. 102. Designation and naming within the Capitol Visitor Center.

Sec. 103. Use of the Emancipation Hall of the Capitol Visitor Center.

#### TITLE II—OFFICE OF THE CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

- Sec. 201. Establishment.
- Sec. 202. Appointment and supervision of Chief Executive Officer for Visitor Services.
- Sec. 203. General duties of Chief Executive Officer.
- Sec. 204. Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer.
- Sec. 205. Gift shop.
- Sec. 206. Food service operations.

#### TITLE III—CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER REVOLVING FUND

- Sec. 301. Establishment and accounts.
- Sec. 302. Deposits in the Fund.
- Sec. 303. Use of monies.
- Sec. 304. Administration of Fund.

#### TITLE IV—CAPITOL GUIDE SERVICE AND OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

#### Subtitle A—Capitol Guide Service

- Sec. 401. Transfer of Capitol Guide Service.
- Sec. 402. Duties of employees of Capitol Guide Service.

#### Subtitle B—Office of Congressional Accessibility Services

- Sec. 411. Office of Congressional Accessibility Services.
- Sec. 412. Transfer from Capitol Guide Service.

#### Subtitle C—Transfer Date and Technical and Conforming Amendments

- Sec. 421. Transfer date.
- Sec. 422. Technical and conforming amendments.

#### TITLE V—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- Sec. 501. Jurisdictions unaffected.
- Sec. 502. Student loan repayment authority.
- Sec. 503. Acceptance of volunteer services.
- Sec. 504. Coins treated as gifts.
- Sec. 505. Flexible work schedule pilot program.

#### TITLE VI—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 601. Authorization of appropriations.

1	TITLE I—CAPITOL VISITOR
2	CENTER
3	SEC. 101. DESIGNATION OF FACILITY AS CAPITOL VISITOR
4	CENTER; PURPOSES OF FACILITY; TREAT-
5	MENT OF THE CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER.
6	(a) Designation.—The facility authorized for con-
7	struction under the heading "Capitol visitor center"
8	under chapter 5 of title II of division B of the Omnibus
9	Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations
10	Act, 1999 (Public Law 105–277; 112 Stat. 2681–569) is
11	designated as the Capitol Visitor Center and is a part of
12	the Capitol.
13	(b) Purposes of the Facility.—The Capitol Visitor
14	Center shall be used—
15	(1) to provide enhanced security for persons
16	working in or visiting the United States Capitol;
17	(2) to improve the visitor experience by pro-
18	viding a structure that will afford improved visitor
19	orientation and enhance the educational experience of
20	those who have come to learn about the Congress and
21	the Capitol; and
22	(3) for other purposes as determined by Congress
23	or the Committee on Rules and Administration of the
24	Senate and the Committee on House Administration
25	of the House of Representatives.

1	(c) Treatment of the Capitol Visitor Center.—
2	(1) Oversight.—The Committee on Rules and
3	Administration of the Senate and the Committee on
4	House Administration of the House of Representatives
5	shall have oversight of the Capitol Visitor Center.
6	(2) Treatment of expansion space of the
7	SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN THE
8	CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER.—
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9 10	(A) SENATE.—The expansion space of the
	Senate described as unassigned space under the
11	heading "Capitol Visitor Center" under the
12	heading "ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL"
13	under title II of the Act entitled "An Act making
14	appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the
15	fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for
16	other purposes", approved November 12, 2001
17	(Public Law 107–68; 115 Stat. 588) shall be
18	part of the Senate wing of the Capitol.
19	(B) House of representatives.—The ex-
20	pansion space of the House of Representatives
21	described as unassigned space under the heading
22	"Capitol Visitor Center" under the heading
23	"ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL" under title
24	II of the Act entitled "An Act making appro-
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priations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal

1	year ending September 30, 2002, and for other
2	purposes", approved November 12, 2001 (Public
3	Law 107–68; 115 Stat. 588) shall be part of the
4	House of Representatives wing of the Capitol.
5	(d) Treatment of Congressional Auditorium and
6	RELATED ADJACENT AREAS.—
7	(1) In general.—The Committee on Rules and
8	Administration of the Senate and the Committee on
9	House Administration of the House of Representatives
10	shall jointly prescribe regulations for the assignment
11	of the space in the Capitol Visitor Center known as
12	the Congressional Auditorium and the related adja-
13	cent areas.
14	(2) Related adjacent areas.—The regula-
15	tions under paragraph (1) shall include a designation
16	of the areas that are related adjacent areas to the
17	$Congressional\ Auditorium.$
18	(e) Visitor Center Space in the Capitol.—Sec-
19	tion 301 of the National Visitor Center Facilities Act of
20	1968 (2 U.S.C. 2165) is repealed.
21	(f) Exhibits for Displays.—
22	(1) In general.—
23	(A) Loan agreements.—Subject to sub-
24	paragraph (B), the Architect of the Capitol may
25	enter into loan agreements to place historical ob-

1	jects for display in the Exhibition Hall of the
2	Capitol Visitor Center.
3	(B) Consultation and Approval.—The
4	Architect of the Capitol may exercise the author-
5	ity under subparagraph (A) with respect to each
6	loan agreement—
7	(i) after consultation with—
8	(I) the Senate Commission on
9	Art; and
10	(II) the House of Representatives
11	Fine Arts Board; and
12	(ii) subject to the approval of—
13	(I) the Committee on Rules and
14	Administration of the Senate; and
15	(II) the Committee on House Ad-
16	ministration of the House of Rep-
17	resentatives.
18	(C) Effective date.—This paragraph
19	shall take effect on December 3, 2008.
20	(2) Exhibition prohibition.—Section 1815 of
21	the Revised Statutes (2 U.S.C. 2134) is amended by
22	inserting "Emancipation Hall of the Capitol Visitor
23	Center," after "Rotunda,".
24	(3) Exceptions to exhibition prohibition.—
25	Section 1815 of the Revised Statutes (2 U.S.C. 2134)

1	shall not apply to any historical object placed within
2	an exhibit in the Exhibition Hall of the Capitol Vis-
3	itor Center that—
4	(A)(i) is directly related to the purpose of
5	the Capitol Visitor Center under subsection
6	(b)(2);
7	(ii) is the subject of a loan agreement en-
8	tered into by the Architect of the Capitol before
9	December 2, 2008; and
10	(iii) has been approved by the Capitol Pres-
11	ervation Commission; or
12	(B) is the subject of a loan agreement de-
13	$scribed\ under\ paragraph\ (1)(A).$
14	(4) Substitution of historical object.—A
15	$loan\ agreement\ described\ under\ paragraph\ (3)(A)(ii)$
16	may provide for the removal of an historical object
17	from exhibition for preservation purposes and the sub-
18	stitution of that object with another historical object
19	having a comparable educational purpose.
20	SEC. 102. DESIGNATION AND NAMING WITHIN THE CAPITOL
21	VISITOR CENTER.
22	(a) In General.—Except as provided under sub-
23	section (b), no part of the Capitol Visitor Center may be
24	designated or named without the approval of—

1	(1) not less than 3/4 of all members on the Cap-
2	itol Preservation Commission who are members of the
3	Democratic party; and
4	(2) not less than 3/4 of all members on the Cap-
5	itol Preservation Commission who are members of the
6	Republican party.
7	(b) Exception.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to
8	any room or space under the jurisdiction of the Senate or
9	the House of Representatives.
10	SEC. 103. USE OF THE EMANCIPATION HALL OF THE CAP-
11	ITOL VISITOR CENTER.
12	The Emancipation Hall of the Capitol Visitor Center
13	may not be used for any event, except upon the passage
14	of a resolution agreed to by both houses of Congress author-
15	izing the use of the Emancipation Hall for that event.
16	TITLE II—OFFICE OF THE
17	CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER
18	SEC. 201. ESTABLISHMENT.
19	There is established within the Office of the Architect
20	of the Capitol the Office of the Capitol Visitor Center (in
21	this Act referred to as the "Office"), to be headed by the
22	Chief Executive Officer for Visitor Services (in this Act re-
23	ferred to as the "Chief Executive Officer").

1 SEC. 202. APPOINTMENT AND SUPERVISION OF CHIEF EX-

2	ECUTIVE OFFICER FOR VISITOR SERVICES.
3	(a) Appointment.—The Chief Executive Officer shall
4	be appointed by the Architect of the Capitol.
5	(b) Supervision and Oversight.—The Chief Execu-
6	tive Officer shall report directly to the Architect of the Cap-
7	itol and shall be subject to oversight by the Committee on
8	Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee
9	on House Administration of the House of Representatives.
10	(c) Removal.—Upon removal of the Chief Executive
11	Officer, the Architect of the Capitol shall immediately pro-
12	vide notice of the removal to the Committee on Rules and
13	Administration of the Senate, the Committee on House Ad-
14	ministration of the House of Representatives, and the Com-
15	mittees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
16	and Senate. The notice shall include the reasons for the re-
17	moval.
18	(d) Compensation.—The Chief Executive Officer shall
19	be paid at an annual rate of pay equal to the annual rate
20	of pay of the Deputy Architect of the Capitol.
21	(e) Transition for Current Chief Executive Of-
22	FICER FOR VISITOR SERVICES.—
23	(1) Appointment.—The individual who serves
24	as the Chief Executive Officer for Visitor Services
25	under section 6701 of the U.S. Troop Readiness, Vet-
26	erans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Account-

1	ability Appropriation Act of 2007 (2 U.S.C. 1806) as
2	of the date of the enactment of this Act shall be the
3	first Chief Executive Officer for Visitor Services ap-
4	pointed by the Architect under this section.
5	(2) Technical and conforming amend-
6	MENT.—Section 6701 of the U.S. Troop Readiness,
7	Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Account-
8	ability Appropriation Act of 2007 (2 U.S.C. 1806) is
9	repealed.
0	SEC. 203. GENERAL DUTIES OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.
11	(a) Administration of Facilities, Services, and
12	ACTIVITIES.—
13	(1) In general.—Except to the extent otherwise
14	provided in this Act, the Chief Executive Officer shall
15	be responsible for—
16	(A) the operation, management, and budget
17	preparation and execution of the Capitol Visitor
18	Center, including all long term planning and
19	daily operational services and activities provided
20	within the Capitol Visitor Center; and
21	(B) in accordance with sections 401 and
22	402, the management of guided tours of the inte-
23	rior of the United States Capitol.
24	(2) Independent budget consideration.—

- 1 (A) In General.—The Architect of the 2 Capitol, upon recommendation of the Chief Exec-3 utive Officer, shall submit the proposed budget 4 for the Office for a fiscal year in the proposed 5 budget for that year for the Office of the Archi-6 tect of the Capitol (as submitted by the Architect 7 of the Capitol to the President). The proposed 8 budget for the Office shall be considered inde-9 pendently from the other components of the pro-10 posed budget for the Architect of the Capitol.
- 11 (B) Exclusion of costs of general 12 MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF VISITOR CEN-13 TER.—In preparing the proposed budget for the 14 Office under subparagraph (A), the Chief Execu-15 tive Officer shall exclude costs attributable to the 16 activities and services described under section 17 501(b) (relating to continuing jurisdiction of the 18 Architect of the Capitol for the care and super-19 intendence of the Capitol Visitor Center).
- 20 (b) Personnel, Disbursements, and Contracts.—
  21 In carrying out this Act, the Architect of the Capitol shall
  22 have the authority to, upon recommendation of the Chief
  23 Executive Officer—
- 24 (1) appoint, hire, and fix the compensation of 25 such personnel as may be necessary for operations of

- the Office, except that no employee may be paid at an
  annual rate in excess of the maximum rate payable
  for level 15 of the General Schedule;
  - (2) disburse funds as may be necessary and available for the needs of the Office (consistent with the requirements of section 303 in the case of amounts in the Capitol Visitor Center Revolving Fund); and
- 8 (3) designate an employee of the Office to serve 9 as contracting officer for the Office, subject to sub-10 section (c).
- 11 (c) Requiring Approval of Certain Contracts.—
- 12 The Architect of the Capitol may not enter into a contract
- 13 for the operations of the Capitol Visitor Center for which
- 14 the amount involved exceeds \$250,000 without the prior ap-
- 15 proval of the Committee on Rules and Administration of
- 16 the Senate and the Committee on House Administration of
- $17 \ \ the \ House \ of \ Representatives.$

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- 18 (d) Semiannual Reports.—The Chief Executive Of-
- 19 ficer shall submit a report to the Committee on Rules and
- 20 Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House
- 21 Administration of the House of Representatives not later
- 22 than 45 days following the close of each semiannual period
- 23 ending on March 31 or September 30 of each year on the
- 24 financial and operational status during the period of each
- 25 function under the jurisdiction of the Chief Executive Offi-

1	cer. Each such report shall include financial statements and
2	a description or explanation of current operations, the im-
3	plementation of new policies and procedures, and future
4	plans for each function.
5	SEC. 204. ASSISTANT TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.
6	(a) In General.—The Architect of the Capitol shall—
7	(1) upon recommendation of the Chief Executive
8	Officer, appoint an assistant who shall perform the
9	responsibilities of the Chief Executive Officer during
10	the absence or disability of the Chief Executive Offi-
11	cer, or during a vacancy in the position of the Chief
12	Executive Officer; and
13	(2) notwithstanding section 203(b)(1), fix the
14	rate of basic pay for the position of the assistant ap-
15	pointed under subparagraph (A) at a rate not to ex-
16	ceed the highest total rate of pay for the Senior Exec-
17	utive Service under subchapter VIII of chapter 53 of
18	title 5, United States Code, for the locality involved.
19	(b) Transition for Current Assistant Chief Ex-
20	ECUTIVE OFFICER.—
21	(1) Appointment.—The individual who serves
22	as the assistant under section 1309 of the Legislative
23	Branch Appropriations Act, 2008 (2 U.S.C. 1807) as
24	of the date of the enactment of this Act shall be the

- 1 first Assistant Chief Executive Officer for Visitor
- 2 Services appointed by the Architect under this section.
- 3 (2) Technical and conforming amend-
- 4 MENT.—Section 1309 of the Legislative Branch Ap-
- 5 propriations Act, 2008 (2 U.S.C. 1807) is repealed.

#### 6 SEC. 205. GIFT SHOP.

- 7 (a) Establishment.—The Architect of the Capitol,
- 8 acting through the Chief Executive Officer, shall establish
- 9 a Capitol Visitor Center Gift Shop within the Capitol Vis-
- 10 itor Center for the purpose of providing for the sale of gift
- 11 items. All moneys received from sales and other services by
- 12 the Capitol Visitor Center Gift Shop shall be deposited in
- 13 the Capitol Visitor Center Revolving Fund established
- 14 under section 301 and shall be available for purposes of this
- 15 section.
- 16 (b) Exception to Prohibition of Sale or Solici-
- 17 Tation on Capitol Grounds.—Section 5104(c) of title 40,
- 18 United States Code, shall not apply to any activity carried
- 19 out under this section.

#### 20 SEC. 206. FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS.

- 21 (a) Restaurant, Catering, and Vending.—The Ar-
- 22 chitect of the Capitol, acting through the Chief Executive
- 23 Officer, shall establish within the Capitol Visitor Center a
- 24 restaurant and other food service facilities, including cater-
- 25 ing services and vending machines.

I	(b) CONTRACT FOR FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS.—
2	(1) In general.—The Architect of the Capitol,
3	acting through the Chief Executive Officer, may enter
4	into a contract for food service operations within the
5	Capitol Visitor Center.
6	(2) Existing contract unaffected.—Nothing
7	in paragraph (1) shall be construed to affect any con-
8	tract for food service operations within the Capitol
9	Visitor Center in effect on the date of enactment of
10	$this\ Act.$
11	(c) Deposits.—All net profits from the food service
12	operations within the Capitol Visitor Center and all com-
13	missions received from the contractor for such food service
14	operations shall be deposited in the Capitol Visitor Center
15	Revolving Fund established under section 301.
16	(d) Exception to Prohibition of Sale or Solici-
17	TATION ON CAPITOL GROUNDS.—Section 5104(c) of title 40,
18	United States Code, shall not apply to any activity carried
19	out under this section.
20	TITLE III—CAPITOL VISITOR
21	CENTER REVOLVING FUND
22	SEC. 301. ESTABLISHMENT AND ACCOUNTS.
23	There is established in the Treasury of the United
24	States a revolving fund to be known as the Capitol Visitor

1	Center Revolving Fund (in this section referred to as the
2	"Fund"), consisting of the following individual accounts:
3	(1) The Gift Shop Account.
4	(2) The Miscellaneous Receipts Account.
5	SEC. 302. DEPOSITS IN THE FUND.
6	(a) Gift Shop Account.—There shall be deposited in
7	the Gift Shop Account all monies received from sales and
8	other services by the gift shop established under section 205,
9	together with any interest accrued on balances in the Ac-
10	count.
11	(b) Miscellaneous Receipts Account.—There
12	shall be deposited in the Miscellaneous Receipts Account
13	each of the following (together with any interest accrued on
14	balances in the Account):
15	(1) Any amounts deposited under section 206(c).
16	(2) Any other receipts received from the oper-
17	ation of the Capitol Visitor Center.
18	(3) Any amounts described under section 504(d).
19	SEC. 303. USE OF MONIES.
20	(a) Gift Shop Account.—
21	(1) In general.—All monies in the Gift Shop
22	Account shall be available without fiscal year limita-
23	tion for disbursement by the Architect of the Capitol,
24	upon recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer,
25	in connection with the operation of the gift shop

- under section 205, including supplies, inventories,
  equipment, and other expenses. In addition, such
  monies may be used by the Architect of the Capitol,
  upon recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer,
  to reimburse any applicable appropriations account
  for amounts used from such appropriations account
  to pay the salaries of employees of the gift shops.
- 8 (2) USE OF REMAINING FUNDS.—To the extent
  9 monies in the Gift Shop Account are available after
  10 disbursements and reimbursements are made under
  11 paragraph (1), the Architect of the Capitol, upon rec12 ommendation of the Chief Executive Officer, may dis13 burse such monies for the operation of the Capitol
  14 Visitor Center, after consultation with—
- 15 (A) the Committee on Rules and Adminis-16 tration of the Senate and the Committee on 17 House Administration of the House of Represent-18 atives; and
- (B) the Committees on Appropriations of
   the House of Representatives and Senate.
- 21 (b) MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS ACCOUNT.—All monies 22 in the Miscellaneous Receipts Account shall be available 23 without fiscal year limitation for disbursement by the Ar-24 chitect of the Capitol, upon recommendation of the Chief

- 1 Executive Officer, for the operations of the Capitol Visitor
- 2 Center, after consultation with—
- 3 (1) the Committee on Rules and Administration
- 4 of the Senate and the Committee on House Adminis-
- 5 tration of the House of Representatives; and
- 6 (2) the Committees on Appropriations of the
- 7 House of Representatives and Senate.

#### 8 SEC. 304. ADMINISTRATION OF FUND.

- 9 (a) Disbursements from the Fund
- 10 may be made by the Architect of the Capitol, upon rec-
- 11 ommendation of the Chief Executive Officer.
- 12 (b) Investment Authority.—The Secretary of the
- 13 Treasury shall invest any portion of the Fund that, as de-
- 14 termined by the Architect of the Capitol, upon recommenda-
- 15 tion of the Chief Executive Officer, is not required to meet
- 16 current expenses. Each investment shall be made in an in-
- 17 terest-bearing obligation of the United States or an obliga-
- 18 tion guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the
- 19 United States that, as determined by the Architect of the
- 20 Capitol, upon recommendation of the Chief Executive Offi-
- 21 cer, has a maturity date suitable for the purposes of the
- 22 Fund. The Secretary of the Treasury shall credit interest
- 23 earned on the obligations to the Fund.

1	(c) AUDIT.—The Fund shall be subject to audit by the
2	Comptroller General at the discretion of the Comptroller
3	General.
4	TITLE IV—CAPITOL GUIDE SERV-
5	ICE AND OFFICE OF CON-
6	GRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY
7	<b>SERVICES</b>
8	Subtitle A—Capitol Guide Service
9	SEC. 401. TRANSFER OF CAPITOL GUIDE SERVICE.
10	(a) Transfer of Authorities and Personnel to
11	Office of the Capitol Visitor Center.—In accordance
12	with the provisions of this title, effective on the transfer
13	date—
14	(1) the Capitol Guide Service shall be an office
15	within the Office;
16	(2) the contracts, liabilities, records, property,
17	appropriations, and other assets and interests of the
18	Capitol Guide Service, established under section 441
19	of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 (2
20	U.S.C. 2166), and the employees of the Capitol Guide
21	Service, are transferred to the Office, except that the
22	transfer of any amounts appropriated to the Capitol
23	Guide Service that remain available as of the transfer
24	date shall occur only upon the approval of the Com-

- mittees on Appropriations of the House of Represent atives and Senate; and
- 3 (3) the Capitol Guide Service shall be subject to 4 the direction of the Architect of the Capitol, upon rec-5 ommendation of the Chief Executive Officer, in ac-6 cordance with this subtitle.
- 7 (b) Treatment of Employees of Capitol Guide 8 Service at Time of Transfer.—
- 9 (1) In General.—Any individual who is an em-10 ployee of the Capitol Guide Service on a non-tem-11 porary basis on the transfer date who is transferred 12 to the Office under subsection (a) shall be subject to 13 the authority of the Architect of the Capitol under sec-14 tion 402(b), except that the individual's grade, com-15 pensation, rate of leave, or other benefits that apply 16 with respect to the individual at the time of transfer 17 shall not be reduced while such individual remains 18 continuously so employed in the same position within 19 the Office, other than for cause.
  - (2) ELIGIBILITY FOR IMMEDIATE RETIREMENT ON BASIS OF INVOLUNTARY SEPARATION.—For purposes of section 8336(d) and section 8414(b) of title 5, United States Code, an individual described in paragraph (1) who is separated from service with the Office shall be considered to have separated from the

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1	service involuntarily if, at the time the individual is
2	separated from service—
3	(A) the individual has completed 25 years
4	of service under such title; or
5	(B) the individual has completed 20 years
6	of service under such title and is 50 years of age
7	$or\ older.$
8	(c) Exception for Congressional Special Serv-
9	ICES Office.—This section does not apply with respect to
10	any employees, contracts, liabilities, records, property, ap-
11	propriations, and other assets and interests of the Congres-
12	sional Special Services Office of the Capitol Guide Service
13	that are transferred to the Office of Congressional Accessi-
14	bility Services under subtitle B.
15	SEC. 402. DUTIES OF EMPLOYEES OF CAPITOL GUIDE SERV-
16	ICE.
17	(a) Provision of Guided Tours.—
18	(1) Tours.—In accordance with this section, the
19	Capitol Guide Service shall provide without charge
20	guided tours of the interior of the United States Cap-
21	itol, including the Capitol Visitor Center, for the edu-
22	cation and enlightenment of the general public.
23	(2) Acceptance of fees prohibited.—An em-
24	ployee of the Capitol Guide Service shall not charge

- or accept any fee, or accept any gratuity, for or on account of the official services of that employee.
- 3 (3) REGULATIONS OF THE ARCHITECT OF THE
  4 CAPITOL.—All such tours shall be conducted in com5 pliance with regulations approved by the Architect of
  6 the Capitol, upon recommendation of the Chief Execu7 tive Officer.
- 8 (b) AUTHORITY OF THE ARCHITECT OF THE CAP-9 ITOL.—In providing for the direction, supervision, and con-10 trol of the Capitol Guide Service, the Architect of the Cap-11 itol, upon recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer, 12 is authorized to—
  - (1) subject to the availability of appropriations, establish and revise such number of positions of Guide in the Capitol Guide Service as the Architect of the Capitol considers necessary to carry out effectively the activities of the Capitol Guide Service;
    - (2) appoint, on a permanent basis without regard to political affiliation and solely on the basis of fitness to perform their duties, a Chief Guide and such deputies as the Architect of the Capitol considers appropriate for the effective administration of the Capitol Guide Service and, in addition, such number of Guides as may be authorized;

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1	(3) with the approval of the Committee on Rules
2	and Administration of the Senate and the Committee
3	on House Administration of the House of Representa-
4	tives, with respect to the individuals appointed under
5	paragraph (2)—
6	(A) prescribe the individual's duties and re-
7	sponsibilities; and
8	(B) fix, and adjust from time to time, re-
9	spective rates of pay at single per annum (gross)
10	rates;
11	(4) with respect to the individuals appointed
12	under paragraph (2), take appropriate disciplinary
13	action, including, when circumstances warrant, sus-
14	pension from duty without pay, reduction in pay, de-
15	motion, or termination of employment with the Cap-
16	itol Guide Service, against any employee who violates
17	any provision of this section or any regulation pre-
18	scribed by the Architect of the Capitol under para-
19	graph(8);
20	(5) prescribe a uniform dress, including appro-
21	priate insignia, which shall be worn by personnel of
22	the Capitol Guide Service;
23	(6) from time to time and as may be necessary,
24	procure and furnish such uniforms to such personnel
25	without charge to such personnel;

- 1 (7) receive and consider advice and information 2 from any private historical or educational organiza-3 tion, association, or society with respect to those oper-4 ations of the Capitol Guide Service which involve the 5 furnishing of historical and educational information 6 to the general public; and
- (8) with the approval of the Committee on Rules 8 and Administration of the Senate and the Committee 9 on House Administration of the House of Representa-10 tives, prescribe such regulations as the Architect of the 11 Capitol considers necessary and appropriate for the 12 operation of the Capitol Guide Service, including reg-13 ulations with respect to tour routes and hours of oper-14 ation, number of visitors per guide, staff-led tours, 15 and non-law enforcement security and special event 16 related support.
- 17 (c) Provision of Accessible Tours in Coordinate
  18 Tion With Office of Congressional Accessibility
  19 Services.—The Chief Executive Officer shall coordinate
  20 the provision of accessible tours for individuals with dis21 abilities with the Office of Congressional Accessibility Serv22 ices established under subtitle B.
- 23 (d) Detail of Personnel.—The Architect of the 24 Capitol shall detail personnel of the Capitol Guide Service 25 based on a request from the Capitol Police Board to assist

1	the United States Capitol Police by providing ushering and
2	informational services, and other services not directly in-
3	volving law enforcement, in connection with—
4	(1) the inauguration of the President and Vice
5	President of the United States;
6	(2) the official reception of representatives of for-
7	eign nations and other persons by the Senate or
8	House of Representatives; or
9	(3) other special or ceremonial occasions in the
10	United States Capitol or on the United States Capitol
11	Grounds that—
12	(A) require the presence of additional Gov-
13	ernment personnel; and
14	(B) cause the temporary suspension of the
15	performance of regular duties.
16	(e) Effective Date.—This section shall take effect on
17	the transfer date.
18	Subtitle B—Office of Congressional
19	Accessibility Services
20	SEC. 411. OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY
21	SERVICES.
22	(a) In General.—Section 310 of the Legislative
23	Branch Appropriations Act, 1990 (2 U.S.C. 130e) is
24	amended to read as follows:

1	"SEC. 310. OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY
2	SERVICES.
3	"(a) Establishment of Office of Congressional
4	Accessibility Services.—
5	"(1) Establishment.—There is established in
6	the legislative branch the Office of Congressional Ac-
7	cessibility Services, to be headed by the Director of
8	Accessibility Services.
9	"(2) Congressional accessibility services
10	BOARD.—
11	"(A) Establishment.—There is estab-
12	lished the Congressional Accessibility Services
13	Board, which shall be composed of—
14	"(i) the Sergeant at Arms and Door-
15	keeper of the Senate;
16	"(ii) the Secretary of the Senate;
17	"(iii) the Sergeant at Arms of the
18	$House\ of\ Representatives;$
19	"(iv) the Clerk of the House of Rep-
20	resentatives; and
21	"(v) the Architect of the Capitol.
22	"(B) Direction of board.—The Office of
23	Congressional Accessibility Services shall be sub-
24	ject to the direction of the Congressional Accessi-
25	bility Services Board.
26	"(3) Mission and functions.—

1	"(A) In General.—The Office of Congres-
2	sional Accessibility Services shall—
3	"(i) provide and coordinate accessi-
4	bility services for individuals with disabil-
5	ities, including Members of Congress, offi-
6	cers and employees of the House of Rep-
7	resentatives and the Senate, and visitors, in
8	the United States Capitol Complex; and
9	"(ii) provide information regarding
10	accessibility for individuals with disabil-
11	ities, as well as related training and staff
12	development, to Members of Congress and
13	employees of the Senate and the House of
14	Representatives.
15	"(B) United states capital complex
16	Defined.—In this paragraph, the term 'United
17	States Capitol Complex' means the Capitol
18	buildings (as defined in section 5101 of title 40,
19	United States Code) and the United States Cap-
20	itol Grounds (as described in section 5102 of
21	$such\ title).$
22	"(b) Director of Accessibility Services.—
23	"(1) Appointment, pay, and removal.—
24	"(A) Appointment and pay.—The Director
25	of Accessibility Services shall be appointed by the

1	Congressional Accessibility Services Board and
2	shall be paid at a rate of pay determined by the
3	Congressional Accessibility Services Board.
4	"(B) Removal.—Upon removal of the Di-
5	rector of Accessibility Services, the Congressional
6	Accessibility Services Board shall immediately
7	provide notice of the removal to the Committee
8	on Rules and Administration of the Senate, the
9	Committee on House Administration of the
10	House of Representatives, and the Committees on
11	Appropriations of the House of Representatives
12	and Senate. The notice shall include the reasons
13	for the removal.
14	"(2) Personnel and other administrative
15	FUNCTIONS.—
16	"(A) Personnel, disbursements, and
17	CONTRACTS.—In carrying out the functions of
18	the Office of Congressional Accessibility Services
19	under subsection (a), the Director of Accessibility
20	Services shall have the authority to—
21	"(i) appoint, hire, and fix the com-
22	pensation of such personnel as may be nec-
23	essary for operations of the Office of Con-
24	gressional Accessibility Services, except that
25	no employee may be paid at an annual rate

1	in excess of the annual rate of pay for the
2	Director of Accessibility Services;
3	"(ii) take appropriate disciplinary ac-
4	tion, including, when circumstances war-
5	rant, suspension from duty without pay, re-
6	duction in pay, demotion, or termination of
7	employment with the Office of Congressional
8	Accessibility Services, against any em-
9	ployee;
10	"(iii) disburse funds as may be nec-
11	essary and available for the needs of the Of-
12	fice of Congressional Accessibility Services;
13	and
14	"(iv) serve as contracting officer for the
15	Office of Congressional Accessibility Serv-
16	ices.
17	"(B) Agreements with the office of
18	THE ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL, WITH OTHER
19	LEGISLATIVE BRANCH AGENCIES, AND WITH OF-
20	FICES OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REP-
21	RESENTATIVES.—Subject to the approval of the
22	Committee on Rules and Administration of the
23	Senate and the Committee on House Administra-
24	tion of the House of Representatives, the Director
25	of Accessibility Services may place orders and

enter into agreements with the Office of the Architect of the Capitol, with other legislative branch agencies, and with any office or other entity of the Senate or House of Representatives for procuring goods and providing financial and administrative services on behalf of the Office of Congressional Accessibility Services, or to otherwise assist the Director in the administration and management of the Office of Congressional Accessibility Services.

"(3) Semiannual Reports.—The Director of Accessibility Services shall submit a report to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives not later than 45 days following the close of each semiannual period ending on March 31 or September 30 of each year on the financial and operational status during the period of each function under the jurisdiction of the Director. Each such report shall include financial statements and a description or explanation of current operations, the implementation of new policies and procedures, and future plans for each function.".

24 (b) Specific Functions.—The Director of Accessi-25 bility Services shall submit to the Committee on Rules and

- 1 Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House
- 2 Administration of the House of Representatives a list of the
- 3 specific functions that the Office of Congressional Accessi-
- 4 bility Services will perform in carrying out this subtitle
- 5 with the approval of the Committee on Rules and Adminis-
- 6 tration of the Senate and the Committee on House Adminis-
- 7 tration of the House of Representatives. The Director of Ac-
- 8 cessibility Services shall submit the list not later than 30
- 9 days after the transfer date.
- 10 (c) Transition for Current Director.—The indi-
- 11 vidual who serves as the head of the Congressional Special
- 12 Services Office as of the date of the enactment of this Act
- 13 shall be the first Director of Accessibility Services appointed
- 14 by the Congressional Accessibility Services Board under sec-
- 15 tion 310 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act,
- 16 1990 (2 U.S.C. 130e) (as amended by this section).
- 17 SEC. 412. TRANSFER FROM CAPITOL GUIDE SERVICE.
- 18 (a) Transfer of Authorities and Personnel of
- 19 Congressional Special Services Office of Capitol
- 20 Guide Service.—In accordance with the provisions of this
- 21 title, effective on the transfer date—
- 22 (1) the contracts, liabilities, records, property,
- 23 appropriations, and other assets and interests of the
- 24 Congressional Special Services Office of the Capitol
- 25 Guide Service, and the employees of such Office, are

- 1 transferred to the Office of Congressional Accessibility
- 2 Services established under section 310(a) of the Legis-
- 3 lative Branch Appropriations Act, 1990 (2 U.S.C.
- 4 130e) (as amended by section 411 of this Act), except
- 5 that the transfer of any amounts appropriated to the
- 6 Congressional Special Services Office that remain
- 7 available as of the transfer date shall occur only upon
- 8 the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of
- 9 the House of Representatives and Senate; and
- 10 (2) the employees of such Office shall be subject
- 11 to the direction, supervision, and control of the Direc-
- 12 tor of Accessibility Services.
- 13 (b) Treatment of Employees at Time of Trans-
- 14 *FER*.—
- 15 (1) In General.—Any individual who is an em-
- 16 ployee of the Congressional Special Services Office of
- 17 the Capitol Guide Service on a non-temporary basis
- on the transfer date who is transferred under sub-
- section (a) shall be subject to the authority of the Di-
- 20 rector of Accessibility Services under section 310(b) of
- 21 the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1990 (2
- 22 U.S.C. 130e) (as amended by section 411 of this Act),
- 23 except that the individual's grade, compensation, rate
- of leave, or other benefits that apply with respect to
- 25 the individual at the time of transfer shall not be re-

- duced while such individual remains continuously so
  employed in the same position within the Office of
  Congressional Accessibility Services established under
  section 310(a) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1990 (2 U.S.C. 130e) (as amended by section 411 of this Act), other than for cause.
  - (2) Eligibility for immediate retirement On Basis of involuntary separation.—For purposes of section 8336(d) and section 8414(b) of title 5, United States Code, an individual described in paragraph (1) who is separated from service with the Office of Congressional Accessibility Services shall be considered to have separated from the service involuntarily if, at the time the individual is separated from service—
    - (A) the individual has completed 25 years of service under such title; or
    - (B) the individual has completed 20 years of service under such title and is 50 years of age or older.
    - (3) Prohibiting imposition of probationary Period.—The Director of Accessibility Services may not impose a period of probation with respect to the transfer of any individual who is transferred to the

1	Office of Congressional Accessibility Services under			
2	subsection (a).			
3	Subtitle C—Transfer Date and			
4	Technical and Conforming			
5	Amendments			
6	SEC. 421. TRANSFER DATE.			
7	In this title, the term "transfer date" means the date			
8	occurring on the first day of the first pay period (applicable			
9	to employees transferred under section 401) occurring on			
10	or after 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act.			
11	SEC. 422. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.			
12	(a) Existing Authority of Capitol Guide Serv-			
13	ICE.—Section 441 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of			
14	1970 (2 U.S.C. 2166) is repealed.			
15	(b) Coverage Under Congressional Account-			
16	ABILITY ACT OF 1995.—			
17	(1) Treatment of employees as covered em-			
18	PLOYEES.—Section $101(3)(C)$ of the Congressional			
19	Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. $1301(3)(C)$ ) is			
20	amended to read as follows:			
21	"(C) the Office of Congressional Accessi-			
22	bility Services;".			
23	(2) Treatment of office as employing of-			
24	FICE.—Section $101(9)(D)$ of such $Act$ (2 $U.S.C.$			
25	1301(9)(D)) is amended by striking "the Capitol			

1 Guide Board," and inserting "the Office of Congres-2 sional Accessibility Services,". 3 (3) Rights and protections relating to 4 PUBLIC SERVICES AND ACCOMMODATIONS.—Section 5 210(a)(4) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 1331(a)(4)) is amend-6 ed to read as follows: "(4) the Office of Congressional Accessibility 7 8 Services:". 9 (4) Periodic inspections for occupational 10 SAFETY ANDHEALTH COMPLIANCE.—Section 11 215(e)(1) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 1341(e)(1)) is amended by striking "the Capitol Guide Service," and in-12 13 serting "the Office of Congressional Accessibility Serv-14 ices,". 15 (c) Treatment as Congressional Employees for RETIREMENT PURPOSES.—Section 2107(9) of title 5, 17 United States Code, is amended to read as follows: "(9) an employee of the Office of Congressional 18 19 Accessibility Services.".

(d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this

section shall take effect on the transfer date.

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### TITLE V—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

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3	SEC	501	JURISDICTIONS UNA	FFECTED

- 4 (a) Security Jurisdiction Unaffected.—Nothing
- 5 in this Act granting any authority to the Architect of the
- 6 Capitol or Chief Executive Officer shall be construed to af-
- 7 fect the exclusive jurisdiction of the Capitol Police, the Cap-
- 8 itol Police Board, the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of
- 9 the Senate, and the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Rep-
- 10 resentatives to provide security for the Capitol, including
- 11 the Capitol Visitor Center.
- 12 (b) Architect of the Capitol Jurisdiction Unaf-
- 13 *FECTED.*—

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- 14 (1) In General.—Nothing in this Act granting
- any authority to the Chief Executive Officer shall be
- 16 construed to affect the exclusive jurisdiction of the Ar-
- 17 chitect of the Capitol for the care and superintendence
- of the Capitol Visitor Center. All maintenance serv-
- 19 ices, groundskeeping services, improvements, alter-
- 20 ations, additions, and repairs for the Capitol Visitor
- 21 Center shall be made under the direction and super-
- vision of the Architect, subject to the approval of the
- Committee on Rules and Administration of the Sen-
- 24 ate and the House Office Building Commission as to
- 25 matters of general policy.

- 1 (2) Technical and conforming amend-
- 2 Ment.—Section 1305 of the Legislative Branch Ap-
- 3 propriations Act, 2008 (2 U.S.C. 1825) is repealed.
- 4 SEC. 502. STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT AUTHORITY.
- 5 Section 5379(a)(1)(A) of title 5, United States Code,
- 6 is amended by inserting ", the Architect of the Capitol, the
- 7 Botanic Garden, and the Office of Congressional Accessi-
- 8 bility Services" after "title".
- 9 SEC. 503. ACCEPTANCE OF VOLUNTEER SERVICES.
- Notwithstanding section 1342 of title 31, United States
- 11 Code, the Architect of the Capitol, upon the recommendation
- 12 of the Chief Executive Officer, may accept and use vol-
- 13 untary and uncompensated services for the Capitol Visitor
- 14 Center as the Architect of the Capitol determines necessary.
- 15 No person shall be permitted to donate personal services
- 16 under this section unless such person has first agreed, in
- 17 writing, to waive any and all claims against the United
- 18 States arising out of or connection with such services, other
- 19 than a claim under the provisions of chapter 81 of title
- 20 5, United States Code. No person donating personal services
- 21 under this section shall be considered an employee of the
- 22 United States for any purpose other than for purposes of
- 23 chapter 81 of such title. In no case shall the acceptance of
- 24 personal services under this subsection result in the reduc-

1	tion of pay or displacement of any employee of the Office
2	of the Architect of the Capitol.
3	SEC. 504. COINS TREATED AS GIFTS.
4	(a) Definition.—In this section, the term "covered
5	grounds" means—
6	(1) the grounds described under section 5102 of
7	title 40, United States Code;
8	(2) the Capitol Buildings defined under section
9	5101 of title 40, United States Code, including the
0	Capitol Visitor Center; and
11	(3) the Library of Congress buildings and
12	grounds described under section 11 of the Act entitled
13	"An Act relating to the policing of the buildings and
14	grounds of the Library of Congress", approved August
15	4, 1950 (2 U.S.C. 167j).
16	(b) Treatment of Coins.—In the case of any coins
17	in any fountains on covered grounds—
18	(1) such coins shall be treated as gifts to the
19	United States; and
20	(2) the Architect of the Capitol shall—
21	(A) collect such coins at such times and in
22	such manner as the Architect determines appro-
23	priate; and

- 1 (B) except as provided under subsection (c),
- 2 deposit the collected coins in accordance with
- 3 subsection (d).
- 4 (c) Cost Reimbursement.—Any amount collected
- 5 under this section shall first be used to reimburse the Archi-
- 6 tect of the Capitol for any costs incurred in the collection
- 7 and processing of the coins. The amount of any such reim-
- 8 bursement is appropriated to the account from which such
- 9 costs were paid and may be used for any authorized purpose
- 10 of that account.
- 11 (d) Deposit of Coins.—The Architect of the Capitol
- 12 shall deposit coins collected under this section in the Mis-
- 13 cellaneous Receipts Account of the Capitol Visitor Center
- 14 Revolving Fund established under section 301.
- 15 (e) Authorized Use and Availability.—Amounts
- 16 deposited in the Miscellaneous Receipts Account of the Cap-
- 17 itol Visitor Center Revolving Fund under this section shall
- 18 be available as provided under section 303(b).
- 19 SEC. 505. FLEXIBLE WORK SCHEDULE PILOT PROGRAM.
- 20 (a) In General.—Section 1302 of the Legislative
- 21 Branch Appropriations Act, 2008 (2 U.S.C. 1831 note; 121
- 22 Stat. 2242) is amended in the third sentence by striking
- 23 "September 30, 2008" and inserting "September 30, 2010".
- 24 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made under
- 25 subsection (a) shall take effect as though enacted as part

- 1 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public
- 2 Law 110–161; 121 Stat. 2218 et seq.).

#### 3 TITLE VI—AUTHORIZATION OF

- 4 **APPROPRIATIONS**
- 5 SEC. 601. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
- 6 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as
- 7 are necessary to carry out this Act.

Attest:

Secretary.

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## **AMENDMENT**